## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Previously Presented) A glass-fiber coupler module, comprising a cassette mount, which is connected to a front panel that is substantially perpendicular to the cassette mount, the cassette mount being assigned a coupler, by means of which the signals of at least one incoming glass fiber are distributed over at least two outgoing glass fibers, a first group of couplings and a second group of couplings, the second group of couplings being arranged on the front panel, glass fibers from the first group of couplings being passed into the coupler and the outgoing glass fibers from the coupler being connected to the second group of couplings, wherein the first group of couplings is arranged on a mounting panel, the mounting panel being arranged to pivot on the cassette mount about a pivot axis; wherein the pivot axis of the mounting panel is substantially parallel to a plug-in direction of the first group of couplings.
- 2. (Original) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 1, wherein each incoming patch cable is assigned a coupling in the first group.
- 3. (Original) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 1 wherein all of the couplings in the first group are arranged in a row.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 1, wherein all of the couplings in the second group are arranged in a row.
- 5. (Original) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 1, wherein elements for accommodating a spare working length of glass fibers are arranged beneath the mounting panel.
- 6. (Original) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 5, wherein at least one direction-changing element is arranged beneath the mounting panel.
- 7. (Original) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 6, wherein the direction-changing element is in the form of an inner limiter.

- 8. (Original) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 7, wherein the inner limiter is provided with at least one retainer.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed claim 1, wherein cable ducts are arranged on sides of the mounting panel.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 9, wherein a width of the mounting panel with the cable ducts is less than or equal to a width of the cassette mount.
- 11. (Original) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 9 wherein a connection part is arranged between the cable ducts.
- 12. (Original) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed claim 1, wherein the mounting panel to the rear of the cassette mount is provided with V-shaped extensions bent downwards.
- 13. (Previously Presented) A glass-fiber coupler module comprising:

a cassette mount having a first side and an opposite, second side, the first side of the cassette mount defining a storage area configured to receive spare lengths of glass fibers;

a mounting panel pivotally coupled to the cassette mount, the mounting panel being configured to pivot from a first position covering the storage area to a second position providing access to the storage area, the mounting panel being configured to support a first plurality of couplings, each coupling of the first plurality being configured to receive a plug at each of a first end and a second end;

a front panel coupled to the cassette mount, the front panel being configured to support a second plurality of couplings, each coupling of the second plurality being configured to receive a plug at each of a first end and a second end;

a splitter coupled to the second side of the cassette mount, the splitter configured to receive glass fibers routed from the second end of at least one of the couplings of the first

plurality, the splitter also configured to output at least two glass fibers to the first ends of at least two of the couplings of the second plurality;

a first glass fiber extending from the second end of one of the couplings of the first plurality, the first glass fiber being routed to the first end of a first of the couplings of the second plurality;

a second glass fiber extending from the second end of one of the couplings of the first plurality, the second glass fiber being routed to the splitter;

a third glass fiber extending from the splitter to the first end of a second of the couplings of the second plurality; and

a fourth glass fiber extending from the splitter to the first end of a third of the couplings of the second plurality.

- 14. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 13, wherein all of the couplings in the first plurality are arranged in a row.
- 15. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 13, wherein all of the couplings in the second plurality are arranged in a row.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 13, wherein the storage area includes at least one direction-changing element.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed claim 13, wherein cable ducts are arranged on opposite sides of the mounting panel.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 13, wherein the cassette mount is at least as wide as the mounting panel including the cable ducts.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed in claim 13, wherein the mounting panel is configured to be locked into the first position.

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20. (Previously Presented) The glass-fiber coupler module as claimed claim 13, further comprising V-shaped extensions extending from the mounting panel.